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The Bedfordshire (Structural Changes) Order 2008

PART 5

**CENTRAL BEDFORDSHIRE: SHADOW AUTHORITY, ITS
TRANSITIONAL FUNCTIONS AND THEIR DISCHARGE**

Functions of shadow authority: Implementation Plan

19. The shadow authority shall prepare, keep under review, and revise as necessary, an Implementation Plan which shall include—

- (a) such plans and timetables as are in its opinion necessary to secure the effective, efficient and timely discharge of its functions; and
 - (b) such budgets and plans as it considers necessary or desirable to facilitate the economic, effective, efficient and timely discharge, on or after 1st April 2009, of the functions that, before that date, are functions of the County Council or the district councils.
- (2) For the purposes of—
- (a) preparing, reviewing and revising the Implementation Plan, and
 - (b) discharging its functions,

the shadow authority shall have regard to the information supplied to the Secretary of State by the district councils in support of their proposals for single tier local government in central Bedfordshire and, in particular, to the information supplied in relation to the matters specified in paragraphs 3.6 to 3.11 (strategic leadership, neighbourhood empowerment and value for money services) of the guidance “Invitations to councils in England”, issued by the Secretary of State in October 2006⁽¹⁾.

- (3) The shadow authority may, by written notice to—
- (a) the proper officer of the County Council, or
 - (b) the proper officer of either of the district councils,

require the council referred to in the notice to take such action relevant to any function of that council that is to transfer on 1st April 2009 as may be specified in the notice.

(1) The guidance was published by the Department for Communities and Local Government. Copies of the guidance may be obtained from Communities and Local Government Publications, PO Box 236, Wetherby, West Yorkshire, LS23 7NB, quoting Product Code 06 LGSRU 04198 (Tel: 08701 226 236; Email: communities@twoten.com or online at www.communities.gov.uk).